

Sunday 29th April 2018

The fifth Sunday of Easter

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Jill Swallow/ Alan Hoggard
10.15 am Parish Communion led by Rev Jill Swallow/ Alan Hoggard

Sidesman: Julia Tum and Carol Harvey

Readings: Acts 8:26-end Member of the PCC Page 1101
1 John 4:7-end Member of the PCC Page 1227
John 15: 1-8 Member of the PCC Page 1083

Prayers: Member of the PCC

Chalice : Margaret Ellis and Allen Smith

Brasses :

Please note photography of all kinds is not allowed in all services

Please contact Rev. Marion Russell (713386) on worship matters (weddings, baptisms, funerals, personal support and prayer).

For administrative matters contact the Church Wardens David Marshall (718182) or Hilary Cartwright (537399)

Website e-mail Alan Hoggard alan.hoggard@blueyonder.co.uk to promote events or information for the website.

Please send newsletter items to David James (01484 715197) or email davidjict@gmail.com by N.B. 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and information to add to the website: www.stjohnsrastrick.org.uk

There is a children's area at one side of Church with books, toys and service-relevant materials where they can sit and colour. Bible toys may be taken to 'pews' during the service, then returned to the Children's area.

KNIT AND NATTER :_Would you like to come and join the knit and natter group? You would be made very welcome at Ella's home 11, Ashlea Avenue, we meet every Wednesday from 10am to noon.

BRIGHOUSE CENTRAL FOODBANK : This month the foodbank is collecting toilet rolls, toothbrushes, tooth paste and boxes containing sachets of powdered potato. Your gifts of food and toiletries are always so gratefully received. Any donations to the basket at the back of church are very welcome. Thank you for your continuing support. Missions and Charities Committee

STAMPS FROM LETTERS AND CARDS. Please can you continue to save your stamps and put them in the magazine box. Thank you.

QUIZ: I am selling quizzes for £1 each to raise funds for 'The Safe House' in Mara Diocese, which I hope to visit when I go to Mara in July. First prize is an M&S £10 voucher and runner up prize is M&S £5 voucher. The theme is **Do You Know Your Nursery Rhymes?**

QUIZ UPDATE

Please hand any completed quiz sheets to me. It is still not too late if you wish to have a go. I have collected £107 so far. The deadline is 30th April.

Thank you. Margaret Ellis.

SPECTACLES: Have you any spectacles or sunglasses that you no longer require? If so, I shall be delighted to receive them to take to Mara. Thank you very much.
Margaret Ellis

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Half day walk: Sunday 6th May: Leaders - Keith and David 01484 713774
Leaving Church at 1.15pm.

Distance: 5 miles

A five mile walk round the picturesque Langsett Reservoir and the Valley of Desolation in South Yorkshire.

There is some elevation but for the walkers there are super and rewarding views over the surrounding moors and reservoir.

Full day walk: Saturday 26th May: Leaders – Margaret and Roger

MOTHERS UNION COFFEE DAY will be held on 8th May at Margaret Raine's home, 16 Scholey Avenue, between 10 am-12 noon and 2pm -4pm. There will be a raffle, cake stall and refreshments available.

BE STILL....

Saturdays 10am - 11am

14th, 21st, 29th April, 5th & 19th May. **This will take place at St. Matthew's.**

One of the most evocative sentences in the Bible is “Be still and know that I am God” Psalm 46:10. In these special prayer times as we prepare for Thy Kingdom Come, we will explore different ways of ‘being still’ to give our attention to God exploring together, finishing with time for coffee and cake within that hour. This is something to take time over - there’s no need to know anything or contribute anything other than your presence! Come and be welcomed.

THY KINGDOM COME

Leading up to the special days of prayer between Ascension Day and Pentecost (10th - 20th May) we will be considering The Lord’s Prayer to give us a greater understanding. Each Sunday in the Easter season has a different theme! Do pick up a Lord’s Prayer card!

GROWING ALLOWED!

OUR SECOND AWAY DAY FOR ST MATTHEW’S AND ST JOHN’S CHURCHES

Saturday 12 May 2018: 9.00 – 9.30 for coffee finishing by 4.00pm latest!

Please save the date!

The planning in getting on well and we are moving forward *inexorably* to having yet another wonderful day together. Do you remember the success and fun we had at our last Away Day at St Peter’s Church Centre, Gildersome? Well, we will be there again, with the opportunity to be together, worship, chat and to eat in the beautiful surroundings of Peter’s Church. The main course for lunch will be provided, and perhaps you may want to bring one of your own favourite puddings to share. We have booked sunshine as well, so you will find that the grounds are really lovely to walk or sit in.

LENT APPEAL 2018 Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Lent Appeal for the Warm Cots project in Northern Tanzania. We have been able to send £640 to Christian African Relief Trust, which will buy 8 cots for Mara Diocese. Please read the information on the board at the back of church, which explains more about CART and its projects. CART also has a shop and storage facility in Huddersfield. There is a list of goods that are acceptable/not acceptable to CART currently, either to sell or transport to Africa. If you need more information, please ask one of the members of the Missions and Charities group.

**There will be a Memorial Service
on Sunday 13 May at 3.00 pm at St Matthew's.**

All are welcome.

If you would like a name added to the list to be read out please add it to the list at the back of church.

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
 vision to our planning,
 Wisdom to our actions,
 And power to our witness.

Help our Church to grow
 in numbers,
 in spiritual commitment to you,
 And in service to our local community,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

DIARY

25th April 9.30 am Benefice Communion **at St Matthew's**

25th April 8.00 pm Wednesday Nighters - Wainhouse Tower. Venue: Shirley Stow

27th April 7.30 am Morning Prayers

12th May Away Day

13th-19th May Christian Aid Week



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